LSTA Grants Awarded January 2018

Summer Library Program Grants- \$439,919

Albany Carnegie Public Library-\$5,410

The library will conduct an eight-week program for children, tweens, teens, and adults encouraging them to set a goal of trying one or two genres that are new to them. Special events will also be held to further engage the patrons in learning over the summer months. The library will also have some community based programs that will be multigenerational.

Barton County Library-\$11,311

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages. They will collaborate with several community partners who will help promote library programs and services to a wide range of people within the county. The library will offer special events, weekly activities and programs that are welcoming to patrons and to help them become more familiar with the library.

Cape Girardeau Public Library-\$18,496

The library will conduct summer reading programs and library services to children, teens, and adults with an emphasis on building relationships and increasing participation via partnership with schools and community, enhancing experiences via educational programming, and engaging children, teens, and adults in new and exciting library experiences by providing access to interactive learning, research, technology, and creative expression through weekly programming.

Carter County Library-\$14,350

Children's program will include crafts and activities that follow the theme "Libraries Rock", teen programs will include series of crafts and age-appropriate activities. Adult programs will include book club, crafters club, and having programs to feed the mind.

Carrollton Public Library-\$6,624

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for children ages 0-13 and their caregivers. The library is planning on doing various programs to promote reading and learning to preschoolers, school aged children and tweens.

Carthage Public Library-\$10,872

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages. The program will include English and bilingual story times, with this year's theme "Libraries Rock!". The library believes that reducing the "Summer Slide" is the most important aspect of any summer reading program and they plan to keep this as their main focus.

Dade County Library-\$3,121

The library will conduct a nine-week summer reading program for all ages, with the goal of this program being to reach new patrons and teach its participants a broader understanding of the library and the many different ways it can be enjoyed and used as an educational and informative tool.

Daniel Boone Regional Library-\$18,750

The library will conduct summer reading program events specifically to target at-risk youth in child care centers who have difficulty accessing books and literacy opportunities due to circumstantial barriers. Additionally, the effort will target child care providers who are unaware of library resources and may not understand the value of group reading.

Daviess County Library-\$2,800

The library will conduct a ten-week summer reading program for children ages 0-18, with the activities heavily geared towards STEAM concepts.

De Soto Public Library-\$5,400

The library will partner with De Soto School District to provide educational programs to get children, teens, and adults to continue focusing on literacy. The library would like to improve upon the success of last year's summer program which was able to get the community thinking about, and coming back to the library.

Doniphan-Ripley County Library-\$7,493

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages at the main library and the branch location. The library will have a Books by Mail program for children ages 3-15, which will encourage children to participate in the program who otherwise may be unable to do so because of transportation barriers.

Gentry County Library-\$10,200

The library will conduct a nine-week summer reading program for all ages, with special event programs that will focus on the 2018 theme "Libraries Rock" and will help to engage participants in active learning over the summer break.

Hannibal Free Public Library-\$5,748

The library will conduct a ten-week summer reading program for all ages, with a special effort to reach unserved or underserved elementary-age children, young adults and adults. The library plans to use creative promotional methods and extra STEAM programming for all ages, and hope to introduce more families to the library and its services.

Henry County Library-\$2,970

The library will partner with Clinton Elementary School and Windsor Elementary School to hold the first series of summer reading programs. The library will hold the second series of summer reading programs at Henry County Library, Clinton, Lenora Blackmore, and Windsor branches. Two educational programs will be the highlight of the Summer and will target children 5-12 and their families.

Joplin Public Library-\$18,516

The library will conduct a nine-week summer reading program for all ages, the programs will focus on informational, educational, recreational, and cultural enhancement. In an effort to reach the underserved populations, the library will provide a weekly mailer to the elementary schools. The library will also partner with two local childcare providers to offer outreach with weekly story times.

James Memorial Public Library-\$5,008

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages with the primary focus being on family. This year's Summer Reading Program will involve community engagement to encourage more time spent at the library and a variety of special event programming will be offered throughout the summer.

Kansas City Public Library-\$15,405

The library will conduct a ten-week summer reading program for all ages. The library will partner with the housing authority to reach children who currently do not have access to the library. They will also offer two learning opportunities that connect with the 2018 CLSP theme built around the youth digital media lab and Breakout Box experiences designed to engage older children, teens, and adults with learning about Kansas City's musical history.

Kirkwood Public Library-\$11,678

The library will conduct a Summer Reading Program targeting patrons of all ages, as well as host programs where families and patrons of all ages can attend and interact together. The focus being on outreach to underserved populations, they plan to continue expansion onto the homebound population and summer campers.

Little Dixie Regional Libraries-\$9,265

The library will conduct an eight to ten-week summer reading program for individuals under the age of 18 with a focus on school age and preschool aged readers. The library will offer story times, crafting events, and other book and literacy related activities.

Lockwood Public Library-\$2,825

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for children and teens with the intention of preventing summer learning loss by providing easy access to reading materials of various levels and interests. Special program events such as geology, music, and motion will be held to engage the participants in learning over the summer months.

Macon Public Library-\$4,014

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for children 3 through 12 years of age. The library's goals for the program will be to educate, motivate, and expand all reading for learning and enjoyment. This program will also take place in the community through weekly visits to daycare center insuring increased participation by those who are unable to travel to the library.

Marceline Carnegie Library-\$9,660

The library will conduct a ten-week summer reading program for all ages. The library is conducting a "reading buddy program" where a child will be paired with a middle school or high school student to read with them. Also the library will be offering the iMovie class in partnership with the Walt Disney Hometown Museum.

Marshall Public Library-\$14,287

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages. The theme of this program will be "Music" with the intent to engage in more multi-generational programming and target those with limited means by providing hands-on lessons and instruments to check out.

McDonald County Library-\$11,000

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages with events emphasizing the "Libraries Rock!" theme to help further engage the participants in reading over the summer months. The library will also have weekly story time programs, hands-on activities, and kindergarten-readiness activities.

Mid-Continent Public Library-\$13,770

The library will partner with Center School District and Marlborough Community Center to conduct the summer reading program. The library will use summer learning book packs for underserved families to give them access to reading activities while also growing their home libraries. This outreach will provide a unique opportunity to reach high-risk children, their parents, and other caregivers.

Moniteau County Library-\$7,600

The library will conduct a nine-week summer reading program for children from birth to 17. The program will be expanded into other communities in Moniteau County with programming provided at the rural schools. This will allow outreach to a large, previously unserved population. The library will also make special efforts to reach low income and Hispanic families in the community.

Mound City Public Library-\$6,050

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages by offering a variety of experiences that not only ties with the theme Libraries Rock, but also by introducing nonfiction and fiction that supports the joys of music and the surrounding geology to help participants develop a passion for reading.

Neosho Newton County Library-\$15,823

The library will conduct a nine-week summer reading program for all ages. This year the library is holding a special, weekly early childhood story time event full of age-appropriate fun and learning. The summer reading programs at each library will mainly focus on music and makerspace themes.

Ozark Regional Library-\$11,550

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages with special program events that will emphasize the importance of music, STEAM, and education with the theme of the program being Libraries Rock and STEAM. The library will also conduct a weekly, all-aged, family-friendly story time and multisensory activities from the CSLP manual will complement the theme of the week.

Polk County Library-\$10,590

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages with the intent of providing quality educational programming. The library's goal is to have children and adults alike to have the opportunity to maintain or increase their reading ability throughout the summer.

Rolla Public Library-\$12,565

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages. The focus groups for the programming is children Pre-K through 12th grade, and special needs children and adults. The library will also include programming specifically for adults and non-native English speakers.

Riverside Regional Library-\$11,874

The library will conduct an eight-week summer reading program for all ages with special program events that will emphasize music. The library will visit the daycares and summer schools to bring the Summer Reading Program to them so they can participate in the program also.

Sikeston Public Library-\$11,450

The library will conduct a nine-week summer reading program for children in grades K-8 in partnership with the YMCA of Southeast Missouri and the Lincoln University Summer day camp. The library will incorporate the CSLP theme with story times and also include music themes that will introduce participants to books through stories along with song, dance, and the science of music.

Springfield-Greene County Library-\$19,770

The library will partner with DREAM Center, Fairbanks Community Center, Roberson Community School, York Elementary, Salvation Army, Bartley-Decatur Neighborhood Center, and Weller Community Garden to conduct a summer program for all ages. The program will focus on family engagement by providing under-resourced parents and caregivers with strategies and support that will strengthen literacy and other skills necessary for children's academic success.

St. Charles City - County Library-\$16,485

The library will conduct a nine-week summer reading program for all ages. The program will focus on the importance of early literacy skills to parents of pre-readers and combat the "summer slide" for school aged children. This will allow adults to set a strong standard for the importance of reading to children. The library will also provide story times, educational presenters, and book discussions for their summer reading program.

St. Clair County Library-\$10,618

The library will conduct a ten-week summer reading program for all ages. The library will partner with the Osceola Housing Authority to offer outreach programs to reach the unserved. The programs will range from learning about musical instruments to learning about geology, through crafts, displays, and activities.

St. Joseph Public Library-\$15,432

The library will conduct a nine-week summer reading program for all ages emphasizing the "Libraries Rock" theme to provide educational opportunities to local families throughout the summer. The library aims to offer summer programs that are accessible to a diverse range of individuals, to encourage children, teens, and adults to develop positive attitudes about reading, and to provide the community with opportunities to further their education and sense of discovery.

St. Louis County Library-\$15,114

The library will conduct an eleven-week summer reading program for all ages. The library will have combined Teen and Adult Reading Clubs and LEGO Engineering classes for kids. The library hopes these enhancements will further their goal of increased participation, knowledge and skill-building for all ages and reduce the summer slide.

St. Louis Public Library-\$18,495

The library will conduct a nine-week summer reading program and eight weeks of summer camps for school aged children to lessen the achievement gap and get youth excited about reading and learning. Topics under consideration include art, bike maintenance and safety, circus education, computers and computer coding, early childhood literacy, film, robotics, STEM, and video game design.

University City Public Library-\$17,530

The library will partner with University City School District to expand reading opportunities for all ages. The Summer Reading Program will provide family activities appropriate for participants with a variety of abilities and backgrounds. The library is trying to reach out to students who have not participated in the Summer Reading Program in previous years.